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1. BELOW IS GUIDANCE ON RWANDA AND SOUTH AFRICA.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 21

2. RWANDA: IO - CURRENT SITUATION WITH UNAMIR TROOPS

Q. WHAT IS THE SITUATION WITH UNAMIR TROOPS IN RWANDA?
NEWSPAPERS INDICATE THEY ARE FLEEING IN A PANIC?

A. UNAMIR TROOPS ARE NOT FLEEING IN PANIC.

BELGIUM HAS WITHDRAWN ITS CONTINGENT OF ABOUT 400 TROOPS,
BUT OTHER COUNTRIES PROVIDING MILITARY PERSONNEL TO UNAMIR
ARE STILL REMAINING. BANGLADESH AND GHANA CONTINUE TO
SUPPLY THE LARGEST NUMBER OF UNAMIR TROOPS. MORE THAN

TWENTY OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE ALSO CONTRIBUTED PERSONNEL.

THIS WEEK THE UN DECIDED TO WITHDRAW SOME OF ITS
NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL. ABOUT 260 PERSONNEL (MOSTLY
ENGINEERS, OBSERVERS, AND SUPPORT STAFF) WERE WITHDRAWN,
IN ADDITION TO THE BELGIANS.

OF THE 2,500 UNAMIR MILITARY PERSONNEL ORIGINALLY IN
PLACE, ABOUT 1,700 REMAIN.

THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS MEETING DAILY TO REVIEW THE
SITUATION IN RWANDA.

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3. RWANDA: AF - ARMS SALES

Q. ARE U.S. ARMS BEING USED IN RWANDA?

A. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS NOT PROVIDED LETHAL
WEAPONS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA

THE UNITED STATES HAS USED MILITARY SECURITY ASSISTANCE
MONIES TO TRAIN RWANDAN MILITARY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS,
ENGINEERS, AND STAFF OFFICERS.

IN EARLY JANUARY 1994 THE UNITED STATES LAUNCHED A
MILITARY TRAINING INITIATIVE ON THE ROLE OF THE MILITARY
IN A DEMOCRACY. THIS TWO WEEK-LONG SEMINAR BROUGHT
TOGETHER MEMBERS OF BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE RWANDAN
PATRIOTIC FRONT.

UNDER A MILITARY CIVIC ACTION PROGRAM, THE UNITED STATES
HELPED CONSTRUCT AND FURNISH A PEDIATRIC CLINIC AT THE
MILITARY HOSPITAL IN KIGALI WHICH IS OPEN TO THE GENERAL
PUBLIC. THE UNITED STATES ALSO PROVIDED ENGINEERING
EQUIPMENT TO THE RWANDAN MILITARY'S ENGINEERING BATTALION.

COMMERCIAL DEFENSE EXPORTS TO RWANDA HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY
LIMITED. SINCE 1985, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS APPROVED
ONLY FIVE PERMANENT EXPORT LICENSES. THESE EXPORTS
INCLUDED AIRCRAFT SPARE PARTS, SECURE COMMUNICATIONS
EQUIPMENT, TWO HUNTING RIFLES, AND ONE REVOLVER. THE TOTAL
VALUE OF THESE FIVE TRANSACTIONS WAS LESS THAN DOLLARS
10,000.

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4. RWANDA: PM - ARMS SALES

Q. ARE DETAILED U.S. RECORDS OF ARMS EXPORTS TO RWANDA OR
OTHER COUNTRIES SECRET?

A. UNDER U.S. LAW, DETAILED INFORMATION PROVIDED AS PART

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OF A PARTICULAR EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION IS TREATED AS PROPRIETARY INFORMATION AND CANNOT BE RELEASED.

I CAN SAY THAT COMMERCIAL DEFENSE EXPORTS TO RWANDA HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY LIMITED. SINCE 1985, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS ONLY APPROVED FIVE PERMANENT EXPORT LICENSE FOR RWANDA. THESE INCLUDED AIRCRAFT SPARE PARTS; SECURE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT; TWO HUNTING RIFLES; AND ONE REVOLVER. THE TOTAL VALUE OF THESE FIVE TRANSACTIONS WAS LESS THAN DOLLARS 10,000.

Q. IS IT TRUE THE U.S. IS MAKING NO EFFORT TO CONTROL SMALL ARMS SALES?

A. THE ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN ENGAGED FOR MANY MONTHS IN A REVIEW OF U.S. CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFER POLICY.

WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN SEVERAL DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS, INCLUDING WITH OUR FORMER COCOM PARTNERS, TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY AND RESTRAINT IN TRANSFERS OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS.

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5. SOUTH AFRICA: WHITE HOUSE STATEMENTS

(A) TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

I AM WRITING TO INFORM YOU OF MY INTENT TO ADD SOUTH AFRICA TO THE LIST OF BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSF). THE GSP PROGRAM OFFERS DUTY-FREE ACCESS TO THE U.S. MARKET AND IS AUTHORIZED BY THE TRADE ACT OF 1974. IN LIGHT OF THESE CRITERIA, I HAVE DETERMINED THAT IT IS APPROPRIATE TO EXTEND GSP BENEFITS TO SOUTH AFRICA.

THIS NOTICE IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 502(A) (1) OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON
THE WHITE HOUSE

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(B) STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

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THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT REVEREND JESSE JACKSON, PRESIDENT OF THE RAINBOW COALITION, HAS BEEN NAMED TO HEAD THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION WILL BE DR. GEORGE MOOSE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS; REVEREND DR. CHARLES STITH, PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF NEW EQUALITY; DR. ARTHUR THOMAS, PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL STATE

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(OHIO) UNIVERSITY; DR. PAULINE BAKER OF THE ASPEN INSTITUTE; MR. DICK J. BATCHELOR, CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION COMMISSION; AND COLONEL MACARTHUR DESHAZER, DIRECTOR FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.

THE PRESIDENT PRAISED THE LONGSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT OF REVEREND JACKSON AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION TO THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRATIC REFORM IN SOUTH AFRICA. HE SAID THAT HIS DECISION TO NAME THIS HIGHLEVEL DELEGATION REFLECTS HIS PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO THE DIFFICULT TRANSITION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

E SAID, "THE WORLD IS ELATED AT THE PROSPECT OF THESE ELECTIONS. THEY ARE THE NEXT STEP IN SOUTH AFRICA'S HISTORIC PATH FROM APARTHEID TO NON-RACIAL DEMOCRACY. AMERICANS HAVE STOOD BY SOUTH AFRICANS IN THEIR STRUGGLE, AND WE WILL BE STEADFAST IN OUR COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH ALL SOUTH AFRICANS TO BUILD THE PROSPEROUS, STABLE AND JUST SOCIETY THAT WILL COME IN ITS PLACE."

THE DELEGATION WILL DEPART FOR SOUTH AFRICA ON SATURDAY, APRIL 24 AND WILL REMAIN IN SOUTH AFRICA THROUGH THE END OF THE ELECTIONS. IT WILL HAVE OFFICIAL OBSERVER STATUS WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION AND WILL OBSERVE THE POLLING ON APRIL 26-28 THROUGHOUT SOUTH AFRICA. THE DELEGATION WILL REPORT ITS FINDINGS TO THE PRESIDENT UPON ITS RETURN.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

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6. RWANDA: IO -

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: PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE RESOLUTION PASSED
LAST NIGHT ON THE UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR
RWANDA (UNAMIR).

A: THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPTED A
RESOLUTION ON UNAMIR WHICH CONDEMNS THE VIOLENCE IN RWANDA
AND THE ATTACKS AGAINST CIVILIANS AND UNAMIR FORCES. IT
ALSO DEMANDS AN IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF THE FIGHTING AND
AUTHORIZES UNAMIR TO ACT AS AN INTERMEDIARY BETWEEN THE
PARTIES AND ASSIST IN THE RESUMPTION OF HUMANITARIAN
RELIEF OPERATIONS TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE.

THE RESOLUTION ORDERS UNAMIR TO MONITOR AND REPORT ON
DEVELOPMENTS IN RWANDA, INCLUDING THE SAFETY AND SECURITY
OF THE CIVILIANS WHO SOUGHT REFUGE WITH UNAMIR.

IT AUTHORIZES A FORCE LEVEL OF APPROXIMATELY 270 TO CARRY
OUT THESE ACTIVITIES.

. WASHINGTON POST AND OTHER STORIES CITE HUMANITARIAN
AGENCIES AS CHARGING THAT A WITHDRAWAL OF UN FORCES FROM
RWANDA WILL LEAD TO FURTHER MASSACRES. WHAT IS OUR VIEW
OF THESE CHARGES?

A. WHILE WE SUPPORTED THE RESOLUTION APPROVED YESTERDAY
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Y THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO WITHDRAW A LARGE PORTION OF THE
UNAMIR FORCES, WE ALSO STIPULATED THAT THE WITHDRAWAL TAKE
PLACE IN A MANNER THAT DOES NOT JEOPARDIZE THE SAFETY OF
THOSE RWANDANS WHO HAVE SOUGHT REFUGE WITH UNAMIR FORCES.

NAMIR WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO ASSIST IN THE RESUMPTION OF
HUMANITARIAN RELIEF OPERATIONS TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE.

THE UNAMIR FORCES DO NOT, HOWEVER, HAVE A MANDATE TO
ENFORCE ORDER IN RWANDA. THEY ARE NOT LARGE ENOUGH NOR
SUFFICIENTLY ARMED TO PERFORM THAT TASK.

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